



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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Group Art Unit: 2133

Confirmation No.: 5968

Examiner: Fritz Alphonse

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For: PROGRAM GUIDING APPARATUS AND METHOD

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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